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Representative Dave Considine Announces Committee Assignments for 2015-2016 Legislative Session

Baraboo –Representative Dave Considine (D-81) announced today that Assembly Democratic Leader Peter Barca (D-Kenosha) has selected him to serve on five committees for the 2015-2016 legislative session: Agriculture, Education, Environment and Forestry, Mental Health, and Mining and Rural Development.

Rep. Considine states, "I am excited to receive these committee assignments. My experience as a teacher and farmer will enable me to make informed contributions to these committees. As a teacher, I can speak with knowledge and experience about the Common Core, teacher assessment, and the importance of supporting our public school students, staff, and teachers. In addition, I am excited to be able to speak up for the preservation of our Baraboo Bluffs and all rural communities in the state as we make policies about agriculture, environment, forestry, mining, and rural development."

Considine will bring a calm, practical, and common sense voice to discussions about education and mental health issues. He retired in June 2014 from a 29-year career teaching special education at the Jack Young Middle School in Baraboo and is familiar with the needs of both students and teachers.

Considine's long-standing commitment to the environment is evidenced by the fact that he is one of the first farmers in the area to have a conservation plan for his land. His farm at the top of the Baraboo bluffs is planted in native wildflowers and prairie grasses and he maintains and works the land with the help of his wife, children, and grandchildren.

Rep. Considine will be officially inaugurated into office on Monday, January 5th. His e-mail will be: Rep.Considine@legis.wisconsin.gov. "I encourage all citizens in the 81st District to share their concerns and ideas with me so that I can represent all of you as I serve on these committees and make decisions in the Legislature. I hope we can have reasoned and thoughtful debates in this Legislative Session and I need your help to ensure I bring forth the issues that matter most to you," states Considine.